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History of printmaking

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Work of art

Check out the first in a multi-part series highlighting art students from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. See page 4.

Fireside stories

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The historic Reid House, which is set against a winter backdrop, was home to two generations of the Reid family after it was built in 1882. The family lived in the home until 1967, when the Rotary Club of Haliburton bought it to be used as a community museum. Until the late-1970s, the Reid House housed the entire museum collection and was located in downtown Haliburton close to Rotary Park before a decision to expand the musuem prompted a move to Glebe Park where it was restored to be a period home, furnished circa 1900. The Reid House is positioned next to the Haliburton Highlands Musuem and is a landmark for park users. /DARREN LUM Staff

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Cancellation of February Frost Fest confirmed

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With outdoor activities such as dog-sledding, ice-climbing, and bonfire feasting where the young and young at heart would eat s'mores by a fire, the Frost Festival always brought joy to Haliburton.

Its venue Head Lake Park was often warmed by the many smiles of those who came, bringing light to a dark time of the year. However several weeks before the announcement of the provincial lockdown, which started on Boxing Day, the winter tradition was cancelled.

Dysart's events and recreation coordinator Andrea Mueller said the decision to cancel this annual event outright for 2021 was in response to the current situation and the restrictions mandated by the province in response to the pandemic.

"We had explored the idea of offering smaller activities located in different parts of the community as part of the Frost Festival, but upon closer examination decided that this would not be the best approach," she wrote in an email. "Instead, we decided to promote winter activities that people can do with members of their own household, while abiding by the current provincial guidelines."

The annual winter event always included a variety of attractions for the hundreds that attended.

One of the big crowd draws was the Haliburton and District Lions Club annual Polar Bear Challenge, which not only tested the mettle of locals and visitors with a run or swim in the frigid waters of Head Lake, but it also helped to raise thousands of dollars for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation and the Hospital for Sick Children.

Lions Club member Jim Frost said the club had already decided before the township's decision to cancel the event in early December.

"With the concern of using warming/changing sheds for the participants we had decided prior to that to cancel our polar dip anyway – it would not have been possible to run that type of event safely, for sure," he wrote in an email. "A virtual event was briefly considered, as was an event where participants might do their own dip or ice bucket challenge, but as there could be no control for safety protocols, and the liability attached to this, we decided not to pursue this type of event. We look forward to this event continuing in 2022."

The township has been encouraging Dysart residents to participate in its Snow Sculpture contest offering a $50 gift card to the winner and a $25 gift card for second and third place.

"We have also launched a Snow Sculpture contest to try and give the community something to do amidst all the shutdowns. The contest is open to households and individuals in Dysart et al. I will be reaching out to recreation staff at the other municipalities to see if we can collaborate and offer a larger scale contest next year that encompasses the whole county," she wrote.

Mueller said the winner will be decided by online voting. It will be limited to one vote per email address to try and keep it as fair as possible.

> *We look forward to this event continuing in 2022.*
>
> — Andrea Mueller

Entries can be any size, but made mostly with snow.

Once the contest registration period (Jan. 15 to Feb. 15) closes, the township will post pictures of all the entries and will open it up for voting.

Mueller said the idea came from a discussion she had with her assistant Alyssa Sisson, who created the online platform in the autumn.

"At first we were thinking snowmen and having everyone gather in one spot. Then we started talking about the different communities. We didn't do much about it and wanted to see how the lights contest went. When the lockdown was announced prior to Christmas, I thought, we need to do something. That's when I brought the Snow Sculpture idea forward to our Emergency Control Group. They were fully supportive and thought it was a good idea. I really would like to see this grow to be a county-wide event," she wrote.

Register at the township website www.dysartetl.ca. For more information email recreation@dysartetal.ca or telephone 705-457-1740 ext. 662.

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Meggan Winsley celebrates history of printmaking

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County Life Staff

Meggan Winsley has certainly made her mark on Toronto.

The Haliburton-raised artist is drawing attention downtown in the city, her work being featured at the intersection of Queen Street West and Portland Street.

Winsley is one of 16 artists exhibiting in a public art project celebrating printmaking, in which selected artist's analogue prints are digitally reproduced on vinyl wraps that are installed on traffic signal control cabinets located at intersections throughout Toronto.

"This collaborative project aims to bring printmaking out of the private realm of the studio and into the public context of the streets, pushing analogue print media beyond the usual bounds of works on paper, and into new and unexpected contexts," reads a press release titled A Celebration of 50 Years of Print and Artist-Run Centres in Toronto from Open Studio Contemporary Printmaking Centre and the City of Toronto's StreetARToronto program.

"These sixteen adapted printmaking interventions form a route that highlights geographic locations of past and present artist-run centres, mapping the general migration of Toronto's artist-run scene from the city's downtown core, north-west to the Junction. Viewers are encouraged to participate in this cultural narrative by actively following the mapped route, in addition to discovering the boxes by chance as they navigate the city."

Winsley moved to Haliburton as a child in 1989, after cottaging on Canning Lake for many years.

"I always remember wanting to be an artist," she said, noting that her family home was filled with the paintings of her grandfather, Sydney Winsley, who was a self-taught painter, and her aunt, Margaret Gourley, an accomplished painter and author. "I can still picture the drawing I did of my future self with a black beret, purple shirt, palette and brush in hand, standing in front of an easel and canvas – my image of who I wanted to be when I grew up."

Winsley attended elementary and high school here, drawing for Marion Hare's column in the *Haliburton County Echo*, contributing painted murals to the halls of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School and taking courses from John Leonard and Lynn Donoghue through the Sir Sanford Fleming summer art school program.

After high school she studied the Art Fundamentals program at Sheridan College – exhibiting at an art show at that time at the Rails End Gallery.

"I absolutely loved doing art full-time," she said. "I learned so much – even though it was just the basics/fundamentals. I wanted to carry on with the art making and considered getting into teaching so I enrolled at York University. The first year I only had one studio class per term and hated it so, after that, I made sure I always had two or three studio classes."

Meggan Winsley's work is seen here on a traffic signal control cabinet located at the intersection of Queen Street West and Portland Street in Toronto as part of Open Studio's 50th-anniversary project in partnership with City of Toronto's StreetARToronto Program. /Photo by Jason McCullough

While studying an Honours Bachelor of Fine Arts at York University, her main focus was printmaking and photography, alongside drawing and painting.

"My first year at York, I enrolled in a screen printing and relief class because sculpture and photography were full," she said. "I absolutely fell in love with it. I then proceeded to take every possible print class available. I also became a studio monitor working in the studio. I learned screen, relief, intaglio and lithography. I had a most amazing professor in Barbara McGill Balfour."

Since then, Winsley's work – often with themes of pattern, decay, rot - has been shown or on exhibit throughout Canada, Australia, Taiwan, the UK and Scotland.

"One afternoon, in a library at the Art Gallery of Ontario, a tucked away library, my work was on display for the afternoon," said Winsley. "Not a huge deal but still - my work was on display at the AGO!"

Her artist statement says that her recent body of work is about "survival, and of wearing masks so that one might endure and overcome adversity."

"I tend to have a few projects or bodies of work on the go - vintage photography, vintage black and white photography printed as a CMYK, mouldy fruit, animal heads on human bodies in decrepit environments," she said. "I am truly interested in as something living or inanimate decays, rots, falls apart, when does it stop being what it originally was and when does it become something else…something new. Is it still as worthy?"

Winsley has been a member of Open Studio since 2005, and a part of Open Studio's education program since 2006, teaching the intro to screen printing class, and developing the CMYK screen printing, as well as the advanced screen printing classes. Her focus is on screen printing, with a specialty in CMYK screen printing and printing large-scale. She's also taught at Centre3 in Hamilton, Imago in Moncton and the Art Centre at Central Tech, through the Toronto District School Board.

"I find teaching incredibly fulfilling," she said. "I get such a charge from seeing students grasp the skills of printing and walking away with prints and [joy]. I just love it. I also love seeing the different work folks come up with. It never gets boring – teaching or the artwork."

Of all the accomplishments and experiences along the way, Winsley said she is most proud simply that she is still printing – getting an idea, working on research and scrolling for something striking through the hundreds of images she has collected, pushing herself in scale or materials or number of layers, and seeing the idea come to fruition.

"It really is my happy place," she said.

During the pandemic's lockdown guidelines, Winsley adapted equipment to be able to create work at home when it wasn't possible to access the studio, making use of a pressure washer at a car wash near her apartment for the stage in the process that calls for removing the photo emulsion.

One day in the middle of pandemic stress, she walked with three screens to the nearby car wash, and found joy. It was cold. She was startled by pigeons joining her in the car wash. She slipped and fell on the way out.

"But I was excited to be stripping the screens so that I could start fresh. I was excited thinking about what I was going to shoot onto the screen and print. With the lockdown, I have had to develop an at home studio - it is beyond Mickey Mouse, but it works. It has been a steep learning curve and I'm limited by size but I am making it work."

Winsley wanted to be an artist and she's done that, staying loyal to her dream and accomplishing her goals.

"I get to make art," she said. "To express myself how I see fit. It has definitely not been easy. There have been many setbacks, many tears, and I do not think I am anywhere close to being where I want to be, but - in some way - I'm en route, at the very least."

For more information about the A Celebration of 50 Years of Print and Artist-Run Centres in Toronto group exhibition, visit https://openstudio.ca/exhibition/open-studio-x-city-of-toronto-streetartoronto-partnership/. A Google map listing where each of the traffic signal control cabinets can be seen is available at that site.

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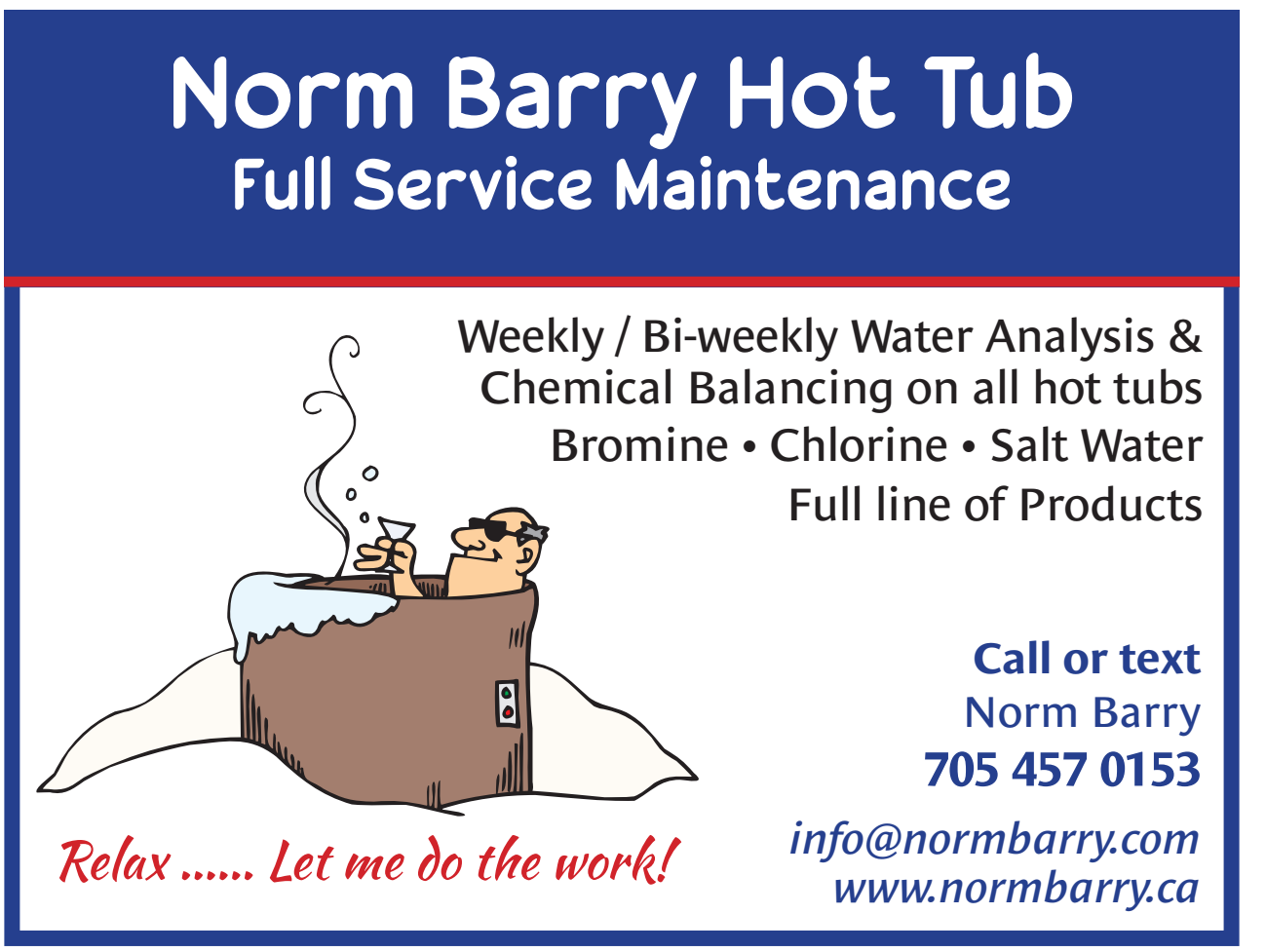
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HHSS student artist profile

Emma James is a 17-year-old Grade 12 student and is currently enrolled in the dual credit painting course at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. She has been enrolled in an art class every year since Grade 9.

Secret Island, Pastel on Stonehenge, 26 " x 30 "

Honey, Watercolour on Cold Pressed Paper
12" x 18"

My work is inspired by a message that I wish to communicate, or simply something that I find beautiful. I derive a lot of inspiration from nature; the water, sunrises, insects and animals. I believe strongly in eliminating the idea of "perfection" we have ingrained in our minds, especially when it comes to how we view ourselves and our bodies. Just like all art is 'good art' in its own way, the same is true for humans and our beautiful differences.

I am also intrigued by space, and the fact that we are even living - here, right now. Stars, moons and suns are recurring images in my work.

I make art as a way to express myself and my emotions. As well, creating something that I love is calming, and a good escape from life. Within my works, I value a sense of realism achieved through the use of value and depth as well as harmonious colour. I often use colour as a way to set the mood within my piece and reflect the emotions that I want the viewer to feel.

My preference is to work in paint - primarily watercolour, however, I have recently been exploring with acrylic. When working with watercolour, I love the prominent marks of where the paint bleeds, like it has a mind of its own. By using watercolour and a softer colour palette I strive to create a sense of calm in my works.

In the future, I hope to continue to further my skills as well as explore new media and approaches. For example, I have recently tried plaster and chalk pastel, which I probably wouldn't have chosen on my own, and loved the outcome of both. My next steps are to continue to make art in my free time, both as a creative outlet, as well as a platform to communicate a message or create awareness. My future plans include studying psychology, and I really hope to be able to continue to incorporate art into my life in as many ways possible.

Submitted by Emma James

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SIRCH is offering its Lunch Is On Us program every Wednesday throughout winter. The initiative provides free hot meals to people throughout the community. /Submitted photo

The year of 2020 is over and what a year it was. Looking back to a year ago I'm sure no one could have predicted what was in store. It was a year of change, a year of isolation, a year of hardship and a year of unpredictability.

But it was also a year of resilience, a year of teamwork and a year of shining moments filled with gratitude.

Last year SIRCH shifted gears after the COVID-19 pandemic struck and began ramping up distribution of free meals throughout the community. This was done through the work of dedicated staff and volunteers and a generous community. You, yes you, helped us distribute tens of thousands of healthy meals, soups, desserts, fruit servings and much more.

When we launched our annual Gifts From The Heart campaign last fall we knew the ask was big. However we also knew the need was even bigger. Thanks to you, we met our goal of raising $60,000 to help support individuals and families who require prepared meals. The pandemic is far from over and the free meals haven't stopped. We are currently cooking about 2,000-2,500 meals each month to give out to those in need and this is a direct result of your donations to Gifts From The Heart.

Another way your donation made a difference is towards our Lunch Is On Us program, where anyone can pick up a free hot lunch on Wednesdays during the winter months. This program began several years ago and has been very well received in our area. It not only helps fill tummies, but provides connection and conversation for so many who are feeling isolated and lonely during the long, harsh winter months. Although it is pick-up only during the COVID-19 lockdown, you will still get a welcome smile and friendly greeting from a distance. Better yet, pick up a couple of lunches and drop one to an isolated neighbour who just needs to know someone cares. We're all in this together.

Every single dollar raised from our annual Gifts From The Heart fundraiser goes directly back into the community, funding meals, programs, initiatives and more. For SIRCH it is about believing in our community and striving to fill the gaps that currently exist.

"Thank you everyone working at SIRCH to help our wonderful Haliburton community. I believe having a nourishing meal is paramount to surviving this epidemic. No one should suffer from food insecurity at anytime but now even more so. Thanks for taking my donation and turning it into action," wrote one of our contributors.

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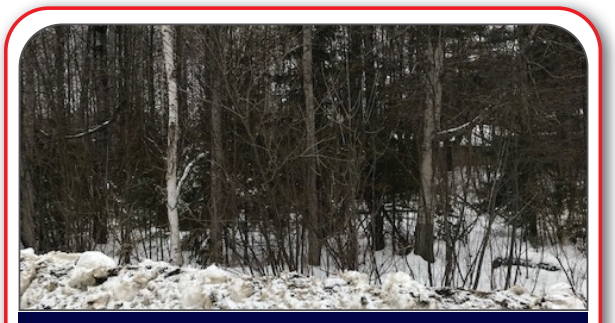

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The fine art of pioneering in the pandemic at the cottage in winter

BARBARA ROSEN
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I HAVE TO say I believe I am a master of 'The Fine Art of Pioneering' at the cottage in winter that is supporting me more than ever during these challenging times of COVID-19. I have to say I have always been captivated by Edgar Degas' fine art painting 'Woman after the Bath' and his print hangs on my bedroom wall in my Haliburton cottage.

"What, no shower," you may ask.

"No. Just some hot water heated in a large metal pot on the wood burning stove, with some cedar added for its healing properties. I sit on a bench in front of the fire and pour the hot water into an antique ceramic pitcher; I pour a little water into its matching bowl and I dip my washcloth into the bowl and proceed to wash my body parts beginning with my face and neck. When I have reached my feet at the end of the 'bath' I set the metal pot on the floor in front of me and just soak them. The whole experience is quite luxurious, quite feminine, quite sensual and very relaxing. It's a very different experience from a shower and also a bathtub experience. And then there's a hot tub too."

"A hot tub?"

"Yes. Quite luxurious with bubbly jets that sits outside on the bottom deck affording a great view."

"Where do you get the water," you may ask.

"The water system is shut down in winter and the hot tub stays filled. I bring what I need for bi-weekly winter cottage visits stored in plastic bottles. I have just enough water for washing, drinking, flushing down waste and adding water to freshen the hot tub. This process is environmentally very friendly, I might add.

"How do you drive to your cottage," you may ask?.

"In winter, the cottage road is closed so it's park at the top, transport all provisions on a toboggan and walk down the steep cottage road about 500 yards. I pare down, bringing just what I need for my cottage stay and to make the trek down in one trip. I love the silence of leaving the car behind as I mindfully walk down in the snow, breathing in the cold fresh air and stopping as needed, taking in the tall snowcapped trees and catching glimpses of the lake. Upon arrival at the cottage, I just leave my provisions on the toboggan for a short time while I open the cottage and feel the space. I actually bring in one bottle of water and boil some water in the kettle, just enough for a cup of tea or coffee while I go out on the deck and enjoy the view.

"Oh so you have electricity?"

"Yes. There's a fridge and a stove but for heating there are two wood burning stoves, one upstairs, one downstairs. Depending on the weather I heat one, or for really cold temperatures, both. It's a constant process of bringing in enough dry logs.

"Do you cook at the cottage?"

"Well, I bring in mostly prepared foods, lots of chicken soup but I have baked fresh bread, just to be in the pioneer experience."

"Do you have WiFi?"

"No. I have a cell phone with some cellular data."

"So you wrote this story and sent it on your cell phone?"

"No. I have a laptop for writing and go to the nearest hotspot to send out stories like this one. When it's time to leave, I gather my provisions, any cottage garbage, laundry, leftovers, load up the toboggan, pause for a view before locking up and making my way back up the road to my car."

Top 10 ways to avoid getting snow down the back of your neck

ONE OF THE greatest annoyances in winter is getting snow down the back of your neck. Yet, it happens far more often than most people would like. But fear not, I have given this issue a lot of thought.

With that in mind, here are 10 simple ways to avoid this nightmare.

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

1. Whenever walking in the woods, make generous use of the phrase, "After you."
2. Never turn your back on a guy with a snowblower.
3. Save the Romeo and Juliet balcony scene for summer.
4. Don't tell your best friend that you have never experienced snow down the back of your neck.
5. Steer clear of steel roofs on warm days.
6. Never publicly declare, "Sure, it's powdery snow, but at least its not deep."
7. Make sure your parachute is packed properly.
8. Land right side up when you ski jump.
9. Just wear the damn sombrero.
10. Don't get into a snowball fight with the best dunker on the basketball team.

Early bird gets $1,000

Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation executive director Lisa Tompkins, left, accepts the ticket from vice-chairperson David Zilstra, who drew the early bird winning ticket worth $1,000, won by Sally Moore and Janice Clarke of Minden, for the annual Cash for Care Lottery on Friday, Jan. 15 in Haliburton. Tickets are limited, but still available for purchase until the draw date on Feb. 15 with three draws worth $1,500, $2,000 and $20,000. This lottery will help to fund new vital signs monitors for the hospital emergency and acute care departments. /DARREN LUM Staff

A popular face at the Minden Farmers Market, local food producer Connie Powers is launching a new online cooking and baking show, available through Twitch and YouTube.

Rude Awakening Granola hosting online weekly cooking shows

Rude Awakening Granola has launched a new cooking and baking show, live streamed every Sunday at 11 a.m.

Rude Awakening owner, Connie Powers, can be found making homestyle dinners and desserts live on the streaming platform, Twitch. Viewers can find the live stream by searching "RudeAwakeningTV" on Twitch and can watch episodes later on YouTube at Rude Awakening Granola's channel.

Rude Awakening Granola is a local food producer and can be found at the Bobcaygeon Farmers Market, Fenelon Falls Farmers Market, Minden Farmers Market, and Peterborough Indoor Farmers Market selling small-batch granola and unique jellies.

Powers, a resident of Bobcaygeon, was looking for ways of connecting with others in their home kitchen during COVID-19 and wanted to share more of her cooking and baking beyond granola and jellies.

Working with locally-sourced food, she aims to share recipes and tips that she has perfected in her own kitchen. Rude Awakening TV features Sunday roasts, home baked pies, and unboxing of kitchen supplies in a newly renovated Kitchen by Kawartha Kitchen Designs!

"I have always loved to cook and nurture my family with nutritious food. I take pride in creating foods that raised a family, feeds a grandson and keeps my community enjoying foods I produce," Powers said. "My grandmother taught me that the kitchen was where your family gathered and I want my kitchen to radiate the same warmth and welcome as her kitchen did."

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>
> — Connie Powers

Following a lengthy career as a teacher, Powers recently retired and, after enrolling in culinary arts school, is excited to share her creations with others. An added bonus, Powers says, the show will be something of a family affair.

"My daughters are both helping me and I love that the most. So, watch my twitch.tv, and share some food discussions with me. Keep hungry," she said.

-Submitted

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Winners will be contacted each Thursday. Submitted entries may appear in subsequent issues of County Life.

Lakefront Property Owners,

The Haliburton County Home Builders Association has spent the last few weeks bringing forward a few facts regarding the proposed Shoreline By-law that the County of Haliburton is attempting to implement. The goal of our media campaign is to bring awareness of the By-law to the waterfront property owners in the County.

The HCHBA is urging you to contact your municipal elected officials, Lake Association Executive as well as your M.P. and M.P.P. to voice your concerns and to ask questions. We also encourage you to visit the HCHBA website (www.hchba.ca/resources) where we have posted information relating to the proposed Shoreline Preservation By-law. We ask you to speak to your neighbours about their thoughts and we encourage you to write our local newspapers with your concerns.

Report - December 21, 2020.

Haliburton County is home to hundreds of beautiful lakes, and through each passing season, these waters are the heart and soul of the residents who live here. In recent months there have been concerns raised about the presence of algae in these lakes we so deeply love and enjoy. With environmental care informing each meeting, the Haliburton County Home Builders' Association wants to learn more about the relationship between human habitation and algae growth. Under the guidance of the HCHBA, a study was commissioned procuring a scientific report of algal blooms in Haliburton County. With this report, the HCHBA aims to reinforce the importance of proper scientific research when exploring new bylaws and policies which will affect the development of our communities.

The HCHBA has engaged a Doctor of Biological Sciences and Micro Biology. She is currently working on bio stimulants to decrease the use and environmental impact of conventional fertilizer as well as seaweed cultivation as a strategy to reduce diffuse nutrient runoffs.

Algal Blooms in Haliburton County

Blue-Green Algae: Cyanobacteria Facts and Fixes
Blue-green algae, or more specifically, Cyanobacteria date back 3.5 billion years1. They photosynthesize like plants and produce oxygen. In fact, they are responsible for producing around 30% of all oxygen on earth2. There are over 2000 different types of blue-green algae and you will recognize some of the beneficial applications that are being developed using them3. For example, natural colourants in cosmetics, natural sunscreens, protein and vitamin supplements, as well as biofuels3. You may have even consumed some blue-green algae or Spirulina in your morning smoothie4.
Cyanobacterial blooms: A multitude of causes
Lately, cyanobacteria have gotten a bad reputation for their role in lake water quality – especially for their potential to form harmful algal blooms and toxins. However, despite their long-lasting history and benefit to earth, the phenomenon of harmful blooms is still not well understood by scientists3,5.

Here's what we do know. Triggers of algal blooms include3:
1) Stagnant water
2) High water temperatures – above 25°C
3) Nutrient availability, especially the ratio of nitrogen and phosphorus in water 4) High levels of dissolved carbon dioxide in water
5) Long sunlight hours
6) Sedimentation of other microscopic organisms
7) Light winds

Cyanobacteria blooms: What is the solution for Haliburton County?

But what can we do about it? Control of algal blooms is both difficult and controversial. It is safe to say there is no silver bullet and no one-size-fits-all approach. A recent study found that one of the most important factors in successfully mitigating algal bloom is relying on local knowledge6. Do we have leaky or aging septic systems? Are we nutrient loading our waters through intensive farming? Do we have storm runoff entering our lakes? Is our municipal sewage and stormwater system up to scratch?

Informed decisions for effective action

It's easy to point fingers and shift blame but it is impossible to make informed decisions without doing our homework. That's why, alongside our local knowledge, our next most important tool is monitoring. Water quality monitoring will take us leaps and bounds closer to understanding the risk and true causes of algal bloom in Haliburton County. We should be testing water quality regularly, and specifically after storms, high boating traffic weekends, just after the lakes thaw, after leaf fall in autumn… Only then can we make effective changes for the better. Informed, evidenced action will always trump clumsy reactions.
One example of the most common causes of algal bloom is stagnant water; that is why some prevention strategies employ large propellers or artificial oxygenation to combat it and keep water moving7. Light winds can expand existing blooms, pushing them to the shoreline while stronger winds can dissipate them. Agitated water makes it very difficult for a network of algae to form a bloom. However, implementing propellers where the true problem is nutrient runoff would be futile7.
In the same way, addressing nutrient release from lake sediment stirred by high boat traffic, or leaf decay in autumn with vast tree planting onshore will not fix the problem. We need to assess our situation with an open mind and take pragmatic steps towards properly studying and understanding our true environmental impact while keeping our local economy in mind.

Closing remarks

Toxic algal bloom is a global problem brought on by a multitude of factors. There is no simple fix, and we are fortunate to not have experienced any noteworthy events thus far. Prevention is a key strategic goal, both environmentally and economically, but this will only be achieved through proper water quality monitoring and using all the tools and local knowledge available to us to take rational and evidenced action.

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If you have any questions, we at the HCHBA recommend that you write, email, or call your municipal elected officials with your comments or concerns. The Draft Bylaw and Questions and Answers can be found on our website under 'Resources' at www.hchba.ca

#Building with the Environment in Mind

A snowy scene

A municipal truck passes a stand of trees covered in snow on Sunday, Jan. 17 in the West Guilford area. The Highlands hasn't experienced many snow events, but what has accumulated has not melted leaving behind snow laden branches to lean and bend over roads and trails all over Haliburton County. /DARREN LUM Staff

We'll wave hello

(coping with pandemic)

Maybe I won't rhyme
This time
Twinkle cleverness
Obscurely or with design
Almost urgent in production
Squirming through these dimmer evenings
Dreams fresh-lonely
For old levels of freedom
And fearful
For old levels of freedom

Faith moves in fight or flight
High backbone softer
Appetite distorts
Since many of us
Inside cross-centuries
Find impulse triggers danger now
As many face a wrestle
Unlike ever before
To wait low-key and listen
Unlike ever before

I can't trumpet jolly this time
But tired words are still important ones
Holding grains of trust and magic
While we stream our depths unfettered
Send up branch, refresh old root
(Despite this buried grip of virus)
Find each other differently
We'll wave hello
Since that means love, so
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(Hint: **18 = E)**

A. **23 6 14 10 18 5**

Clue: Income/expenditure estimate

B. **18 20 5 25 5 18**

Clue: Money and property

C. **4 18 5 24 4 18 17 18 9 5**

Clue: Cease working

D. **3 22 25 9**

Clue: Detailed proposal

Answers: A. budget B. estate C. retirement D. plan

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell
something pertaining to financial planning.

PENXESSE

Answer: Expenses

Guess Who?

I am a talk show host born in Mississippi on January 29, 1954. I was crowned “Miss Black Tennessee” while in college and also started co-anchoring the news when I was 19. I’ve had a hugely successful career as a TV host and producer.

Answer: Oprah Winfrey

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

ADMINISTRATOR
ANCILLARY
ANNUAL
BENEFICIARY
CHILDREN
CODICIL
CONSERVATOR
CONTEST
CREDITOR
DEED
DISCLAIM
ESTATE
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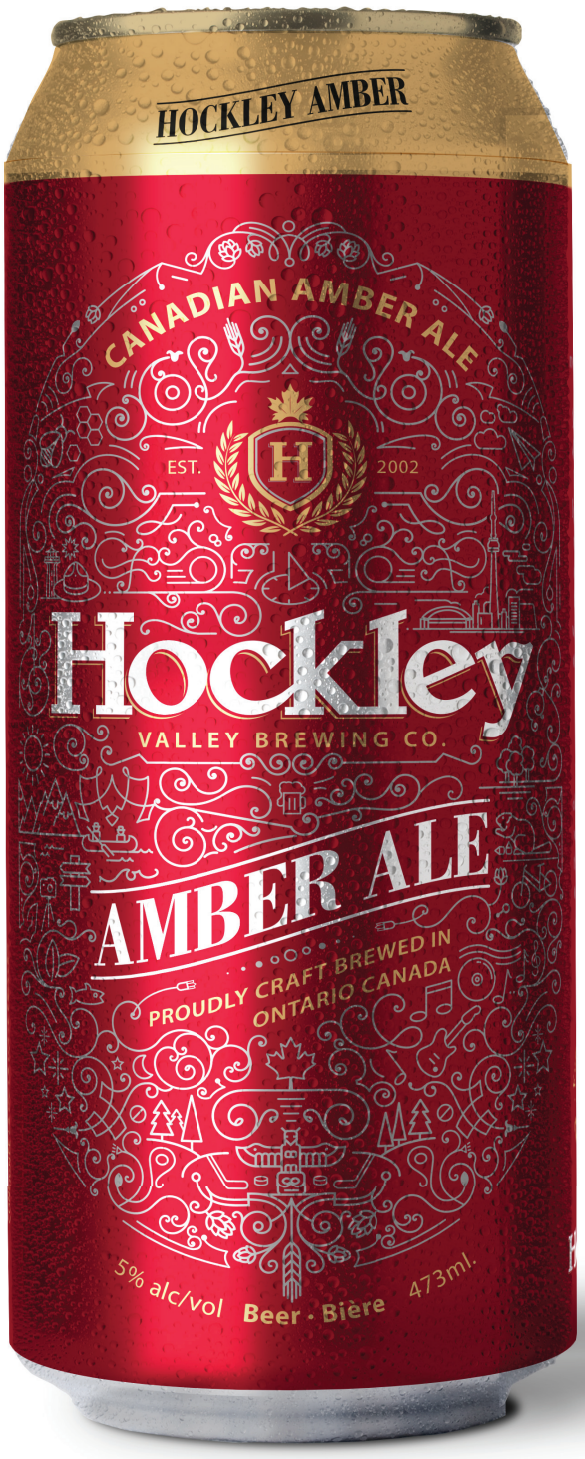

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Highlands cottager Cody Hodgson helps Team Canada win world juniors.

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Community leaders share their aspirations for the coming year.

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The ice is back

After a tornado destroyed its arena, Kinmount built a new one.

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"The Vancouver Canucks got a steal by choosing this kid 10th overall pick. Hodgson is all character and as mature a young man as you can find."

TSN's Bob McKenzie about Cody Hodgson

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Minden ignites its sesquicentennial celebration

Minden Hills community services director Rick Cox tends a bonfire of old Christmas trees at last week's New Year's Eve celebration. The event was a kick-off to a year's worth of sesquicentennial events in Minden. More photos on page 2.

2008 weather one for the record books

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The year 2008 is gone and has taken with it an unusual year of weather for Haliburton County.

The county saw its wettest year in recorded history and also experienced some below-average temperatures.

"We had our wettest year on record, or should I say, the year with the most total precipitation," said Geoff Coulson, a warning preparedness meteorologist with Environment Canada.

As Coulson explained, while rainfall is recorded in millimetres, snowfall is recorded in centimetres and this value is then converted to a water-based millimetre amount.

The total precipitation for the county was 1,340.7 millimetres, Coulson said, which set a new record. The old record was 1,268 millimetres, set in 1995.

North Bay, Peterborough, Toronto and Wiarton also experienced record amounts of precipitation in 2008, Coulson said, making it a record year for the province.

Haliburton also had its biggest snowfall ever, he said, with 408.3 centimetres of snow falling from January to December.

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